105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 1822

To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal radium irradiation.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

March 23, 1998

Mr. Specter (for himself, Mr. Thurmond, Mr. Jeffords, Mr. Murkowski, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Wellstone, Mr. Lieberman, and Mrs. Murray) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal radium irradiation.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in
- 4 this Act an amendment is expressed in terms of an amend-
- 5 ment to a section or other provision, the reference shall
- 6 be considered to be made to a section or other provision
- 7 of title 38, United States Code.
- 8 Sec. 2. (a) The Secretary may examine, and include
- 9 in the Department's Ionizing Radiation Registry Program,

- any veteran who received nasopharyngeal radium irradiation treatments while serving in the active military, naval,
 or air service.
 (b) Section 1710 is amended—
 (1) in subsection (a)(2)(F), by inserting "or who received nasopharyngeal radium irradiation
 - (2) in subsection (e)(1)(B) by inserting ", or a veteran who received nasopharyngeal radium irradiation treatments while serving in the active military, naval, or air service," after "radiation-exposed veteran".

treatments," after "environmental hazard,"; and

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